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DISASSEMBLING A FUEL INJECTOR

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RESPONSE

SIR:

In response to the Final Office Action dated
September 20, 2002, reconsideration of the above-referenced
application is respectfully requested for the reasons
presented below.

Remarks

Claims 11-13 and 15-20 remain pending in the above-
referenced application.

Claims 11-13 and 15 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §
102(b) as being anticipated by United States Patent No.
5,727,298 to Strong. In responding to the arguments made by
Applicants in the prior Amendment, the Examiner states that
"[t]he applicant [sic] states that the device is not both an
assembly and disassembly [sic] device. The examiner
disagrees because if you have assembly component [sic] then to
reverse the use of the components will give you disassembly
[sic] components." Final Office Action at page 4. However
true this may be as a general matter, this reasoning fails to
consider the specific limitations recited in the claim. In the
Strong patent, the specification describes "threaded jack
screws to apply a pulling force to remove the shaft from its
housing." Column 2, lines 6-7. Further along in the same